



MARION COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Board Session Agenda Review Form

January 24, 2024

Meeting date: _____

Department: Sheriff's Office

Title: Justice Reinvestment Council Member

Agenda Planning Date: 1/10/2024 Management Update/Work Session Date: 1/9/2024 Audio/Visual aids

Time Required: 5 mins Contact: Undersheriff Jay Bergmann Phone: 503-540-8084

Requested Action: Accept or reject the proposed Marion County Justice Reinvestment Council appointment. It is recommended the Board of Commissioners accept the appointment.

Issue, Description & Background: Shall the Board of Commissioners approve the order recommending the Board appoint Division Director Debra Wells as a member of the Marion County Justice Reinvestment Council. The Marion County Justice Reinvestment Council advises governing bodies on policy matters related to Justice Diversion, Prison Diversion, and Reentry Services.

Financial Impacts: None

Impacts to Department & External Agencies: Appointments by county department and community agency are listed in the Marion County Justice Reinvestment Council Bylaws.

List of attachments: (1) Order appointing Division Director Debra Wells to the Justice Reinvestment Council. (2) Current members of the Justice Reinvestment Council. (3) Debra Wells application.

Presenter: Undersheriff Jay Bergmann, Commander Mike Hartford

Department Head Signature: [Signature]

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FOR MARION COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of Appointing)
Members to the Marion County)
Justice Reinvestment Council.)

ORDER No. _____

This matter came before the Marion County Board of Commissioners at its regularly scheduled public meeting on January 24, 2024, to appoint a new member to the Marion County Justice Reinvestment Council;

WHEREAS, the Marion County Health and Human Services Administrator, or designee, will be appointed, and this position is being vacated; and

WHEREAS, Division Director Debra Wells has been selected as the Marion County Health and Human Services Administrator designee to serve on the Marion County Justice Reinvestment Council; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that Division Director Debra Wells is qualified and interested in serving on the Marion County Justice Reinvestment Council; now therefore

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Division Director Debra Wells is appointed as a member of the Marion County Justice Reinvestment Council effective this date for the term ending December 31, 2024.

DATED at Salem, Oregon on the 24th day of January, 2024.

MARION COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Chair

Commissioner

Commissioner

Marion County Justice Reinvestment Council Members

- Chair Jay Bergmann, Undersheriff, Marion County Sheriff's Office
- Mike Hartford, Commander, Marion County Sheriff's Office, Community Corrections
- Nicholas D. Hunter, Sheriff, Marion County Sheriff's Office
- Colm Willis, Commissioner, Marion County Board of Commissioners
- Paige Clarkson, District Attorney, Marion County District Attorney's Office
- Christopher Eppley, Director, Marion County Community Services
- Kristy McIntosh, Director, Salem Health – Care Management, Regulatory and Patient Safety
- Alison Kelley, Chief Executive Officer, Liberty House
- Jimmy Jones, Executive Director, Mid-Willamette Valley Community Action Agency
- Sherry Bensema, EMS Coordinator, Lyons Rural Fire District
- Shannon Wilson, Executive Director, Public Defender of Marion County
- Tim Murphy, Executive Director, Bridgeway Recovery Services
- Jessica Howard, President, Chemeketa Community College
- Jim Hope, Client Services Coordinator, Union Gospel Mission
- Treven Upkes, Deputy Chief, Salem Police Department
- Debra Wells, Division Director, Behavioral Health Crisis Services, Marion County Health and Human Services

Note: Information on this page is considered public record and may be made available upon request.

Name: Debra Wells

City of residence: Keizer

Business information:	
Occupation/business	<u>Division Director/Marion County Health & Human Services</u>
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City <u>Salem</u> , Oregon	Zip code <u>97301</u> Business telephone <u>503.566.2968</u>
Business e-mail <u>dewells@co.marion.or.us</u>	Business fax <u>503.585.4965</u>

I would like to be considered for the Member position on
the Justice Reinvestment Council (lay or representative designation)
(name of committee, board, council, task force or commission)

The reason I am applying for this appointment is
Recently accepted new role as Director of Behavioral Health Crisis Services Division of Marion County Health & Human Services (MCHHS). I have worked closely with our law enforcement partners through our collaboration teams: Mobile Crisis Response Teams and Community Crisis Outreach Services.

The personal and professional interests that prompted me to apply for this appointment are
My employment and position within MCHHS. I have enjoyed the opportunity to collaborate with our law enforcement partners to include Salem Police Department, Woodburn Police Department, and Marion County Sheriff's Office to serve individuals (adult and youth) to divert them from law enforcement contact while engaging them in appropriate services.

Have you served on any other Marion County board, commission, committee, council, or task force? (If yes, please list)

1. _____ 2. _____

Please list qualifications and skills you have which you believe would be valuable if you are appointed to this position (include relevant skills, activities, training, and education)
I have worked within MCHHS in a number of roles the last 20 years. I hold a Masters Degree in Counseling and am licensed with the Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists. I have worked with a variety of populations to include those at the Crisis Center, the Aid & Assist population, as well as AIC's at the Marion County Jail. I desire positive outcomes for the individuals in service.

What community or school activities, committees or special activities have you participated in?
Volunteer for Salem Keizer School District; Battle of the Books Coach to promote reading in elementary school aged children

For Internal Use:
Application Rcd by: _____ Dept: _____ Date: _____